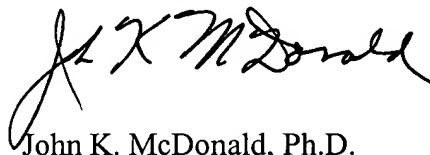


REMARKS

By this amendment, there are now fourteen (14) claims pending, Claims 15-28. Support for these claims is found in the specification and claims as filed, therefore this amendment adds no new matter to the specification.

No additional fees are believed due; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 11-0855.

Respectfully submitted,

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Version With Markings To Show Changes Made

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.121(c), the following versions of the claims as rewritten by the foregoing amendments show all changes made relative to the previous version of the claims.

15. (Amended) A hemocompatible surface[, wherein the hemocompatible surface comprises] comprising:

a material located on or in the hemocompatible surface, [and] wherein the material comprises an artificial compound, a natural organic compound, or an inorganic compound, or a mixture thereof[,] ; and ,

a constituent of an outer layer of a blood cell, a mesothelial cell or a combination thereof.